## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

**Health Resources and Services Administration** 

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection: Public Comment Request; Information Collection Request Title: The Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program Quarterly Performance Report, OMB No. 0906-0016, Revision

**AGENCY:** Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), Department of Health and Human Services.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the requirement for opportunity for public comment on proposed data collection projects of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, HRSA announces plans to submit an Information Collection Request (ICR), described below, to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Prior to submitting the ICR to OMB, HRSA seeks comments from the public regarding the burden estimate, below, or any other aspect of the ICR.

DATES: Comments on this ICR should be received no later than [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments to *paperwork@hrsa.gov* or mail the HRSA Information Collection Clearance Officer, 14N136B, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To request more information on the proposed project or to obtain a copy of the data collection plans and draft instruments, email *paperwork@hrsa.gov* or call Lisa Wright-Solomon, the HRSA Information Collection Clearance Officer at (301) 443-1984.

## **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

Information Collection Request Title: The Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program Quarterly Performance Report, OMB No. 0906-0016, Revision

Abstract: This clearance request is for continued approval of the Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV) Program Quarterly Performance Report. The MIECHV Program, administered by HRSA in partnership with the Administration for Children and Families, supports voluntary, evidence-based home visiting services during pregnancy and to parents with young children up to kindergarten entry. States, certain non-profit organizations, and tribal entities are eligible to receive funding from the MIECHV Program and have the flexibility to tailor the program to serve the specific needs of their communities. HRSA is revising the data collection forms for the MIECHV Program by making the following changes:

- Form 4, reporting guidance: Revise reporting instructions to reflect updated reporting requirements
- Form 4, Definition of Key Terms: Update definitions for Table A.1
- Form 4, Definition of Key Terms: Add definitions for Table A.2

HRSA is also requesting approval to expand the use of Form 4 in order to collect quarterly performance data from awardees who receive MIECHV funding appropriated by section 9101 of the American Rescue Plan Act (Pub. L. 117-2).

Need and Proposed Use of the Information: HRSA uses quarterly performance information to demonstrate program accountability and continuously monitor and provide oversight to MIECHV Program awardees. The information is also used to provide quality improvement guidance and technical assistance to awardees and help inform the development of early childhood systems at the national, state, and local level. HRSA is seeking to revise reporting instructions and definitions of key terms and to expand the use of Form 4 in order to collect distinct quarterly performance data related to the use of the American Rescue Plan Act funds. This notice is subject to the appropriation of funds,

and is a contingency action taken to ensure that, should funds become available for this purpose, information can be collected in a timely manner.

*Likely Respondents*: MIECHV Program awardees that are states, territories, and, where applicable, nonprofit organizations receiving MIECHV funding to provide home visiting services within states.

Burden Statement: Burden in this context means the time expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, disclose, or provide the information requested. This includes the time needed to review instructions; to develop, acquire, install, and utilize technology and systems for the purpose of collecting, validating, and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; to train personnel and to be able to respond to a collection of information; to search data sources; to complete and review the collection of information; and to transmit or otherwise disclose the information. The total annual burden hours estimated for this ICR are summarized in the table below.

## Total Estimated Annualized Burden Hours:

	Number of	Number of	Total	Average Burden per	Total Burden
	Respondents	Responses per	Responses	Response (in hours)	Hours
Form Name	_	Respondent			
Form 4: Section A –					
Quarterly					
Performance Report	56	8	448	24	10,752
Form 4: Section B					
Quarterly					
Benchmark					
Performance					
Measures	10	4	40	200	8,000
Total	56*		488		18,752

<sup>\*</sup>The 10 responses for Section B are a sub-set of 56 total awardees funded through the MIECHV Program

HRSA specifically requests comments on (1) the necessity and utility of the proposed information collection for the proper performance of the agency's functions, (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden, (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected,

and (4) the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology to minimize the information collection burden.

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